

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 795

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Sarah Cruise, 2008 Valedictorian of Seymour High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Cruise is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Seymour High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Cruise has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Sarah has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young lady has earned numerous other accolades, including Outstanding Achievement Awards in the challenging subject areas of Algebra II/Trigonometry and Honors Pre-Calculus; she placed first in the county-wide science fair in Microbiology and received a Certificate of Merit in the state-wide science fair; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs, Sarah is a member of several academic, athletic, social, and civic organizations, including the Beta Club, National Honor Society, Y-Teens, Distributive Educational Clubs of America, Future Business Leaders of America, Junior Classical League, and Varsity Soccer; she has volunteered for the March of Dimes, Fantasy of Trees, and the Fort Sanders Charity Golf Tournament; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cruise's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success as a student at the University of Tennessee, where she will continue her education through the auspices of several academic scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Dean and Mary Cruise, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Cruise's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Sarah Cruise, 2008 Seymour High School Valedictorian, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.